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BARCELONA OPEN BANC SABADELL TALKING POINTS

- This year's edition of the **Barcelona Open Banc Sabadell** includes 7 Top 20 players, highlighted by recent ATP Masters 1000 Monte-Carlo finalists No. 5 seed **Stefanos Tsitsipas**, who is a 3-time finalist in Barcelona and No. 3 seed **Casper Ruud**. However, the double defending champion and No. 1 seed **Carlos Alcaraz** withdrew prior to the tournament due to a right arm injury.
- The only former champion in the draw, **Rafael Nadal**, won this event record-breaking 12 times. He makes his 17th appearance at the **Real Club de Tennis Barcelona 1899** and will play in his first clay court event since winning 2022 Roland Garros, on **Pista Rafa Nadal**, Barcelona's stadium court, named after him in 2017. The Spaniard is 66-4 at this event and is playing in Barcelona for the first time since winning the 2021 title.
- World No. 7 **Stefanos Tsitsipas** enters the event on a 6-match winning streak after capturing his 3rd ATP Masters 1000 title in Monte-Carlo on Sunday. The Greek, who reached the Barcelona final in 2018, 2021 and 2023, is aiming to continue his winning streak and break his 0-10 record in ATP 500 finals.
- No. 2 seed **Andrey Rublev** is making his third Barcelona main draw appearance, reaching 2R as No. 329-ranked qualifier in 2015 and advancing to 2021 quarter-finals. Rublev, who is 1-3 since the start of March, will aim to win his second title of the season and first on clay since 2023 Bastad in July.
- Ruud leads the ATP Tour in clay court wins (98), finals (14) and titles (9) since the start of 2020 season. The Norwegian also owns 24 wins and will attempt to overtake the 2024 wins leader **Jannik Sinner** (25) this week, reach a tour-leading fourth final of 2024 and capture his first title above ATP 250 level.
- No. 8 seed **Sebastian Baez** won the first clay court ATP 500 event of the season in Rio de Janeiro in February and owns a 14-3 record on clay this season, winning 9 of last 10 matches played on the surface, and also capturing the title in Santiago. He is joined by two other ATP 500 champions of 2024, No. 4 seed **Alex de Minaur**, who won the title in Acapulco and No. 6 seed **Ugo Humbert**, who was victorious in Dubai.

2024 BARCELONA OPEN BANC SABADELL SINGLE5 SEEDS

SEED	PLAYER	2024 W-L (BEST FINISH)	EVENT W-L (BEST FINISH)
1	Carlos Alcaraz (ESP)	15-4 (Indian Wells Title)	10-1 (2022-23 Titles)
2	Andrey Rublev	15-7 (Hong Kong Title)	3-2 (2021 QF)
3	Casper Ruud (NOR)	24-7 (3 Finals)	4-3 (2022 QF)
4	Alex de Minaur (AUS)	22-7 (Acapulco Title)	5-3 (2022 SF)
5	Stefanos Tsitsipas (GRE)	17-6 (Monte-Carlo Title)	16-5 (2018, 2021, 2023 Finals)
6	Ugo Humbert (FRA)	18-6 (Marseille, Dubai Titles)	1-1 (2022 2R)
7	Karen Khachanov	15-7 (Doha Title)	7-6 (2017 QF)
8	Sebastian Baez (ARG)	17-8 (Rio de Janeiro, Santiago Titles)	0-1 (2022 1R)
9	Nicolas Jarry (CHI)	11-9 (Buenos Aires Final)	4-3 (2019 QF)
10	Lorenzo Musetti (ITA)	9-11 (Adelaide QF)	5-3 (2023 SF)
11	Alejandro Davidovich Fokina (ESP)	8-8 (Marseille, Dubai QF)	2-2 (2023 QF)
12	Cameron Norrie (GBR)	10-7 (Rio de Janeiro SF)	6-4 (2021-22 QF)
13	Tomas Martin Etcheverry (ARG)	8-9 (Houston SF)	1-1 (2023 2R)
14	Jordan Thompson (AUS)	15-9 (Los Cabos Title)	1-2 (2021 2R)
15	Borna Coric (CRO)	6-7 (Montpellier Final)	0-0 (Debut)
16	Arthur Fils (FRA)	11-10 (Auckland SF)	0-0 (Debut)
17	Fabian Marozsan (HUN)	11-9 (Miami QF)	0-0 (Debut)

Tournament History	56th Edition (1968-2019, 2021-present)
Singles Final	Sunday 21 April at 4 pm
Wild Cards (4)	Roberto Bautista Agut (ESP), Martin Landaluce (ESP), Albert Ramos-Vinolas (ESP), Daniel Rincon (ESP)
Qualifiers (6)	Duje Ajdukovic (CRO), Nick Hardt (DOM), Harold Mayot (FRA), Diego Schwartzman (ARG), Shang Juncheng (CHN), Marco Trungelliti (ARG)
Lucky Loser (1)	Hugo Grenier (FRA) – withdrawal of No. 1 seed Alcaraz
Protected Ranking (1)	Rafael Nadal (PR-9)
Oldest Player	Rafael Nadal (37)
#NextGenATP (4)	Martin Landaluce (18), Shang Juncheng (19), Arthur Fils (19), Luca Van Assche (19)
Tournament Records	<u>Most Titles</u> – Rafael Nadal (12) <u>Most Wins</u> – Rafael Nadal (66) <u>Youngest Champion</u> – Mats Wilander, 18, in 1982 <u>Oldest Champion</u> – Rafael Nadal, 34, in 2021 <u>Highest-Ranked Champion</u> – No. 1 Ilie Nastase in 1973, Rafael Nadal in '09, '11, '18 <u>Lowest-Ranked Champion</u> – No. 65 Todd Martin in 1998 <u>Last Spanish Champion</u> – Carlos Alcaraz in 2023

COUNTRY BREAKDOWN (19)

Spain (8)	Roberto Bautista Agut, Roberto Carballes Baena, Alejandro Davidovich Fokina, Martin Landaluce, Jaume Munar, Rafael Nadal, Albert Ramos-Vinolas, Daniel Rincon		
France (7)	Arthur Cazaux, Arthur Fils, Hugo Grenier, Ugo Humbert, Harold Mayot, Alexandre Muller, Luca Van Assche		
Argentina (6)	Sebastian Baez, Pedro Cachin, Facundo Diaz Acosta, Tomas Martin Etcheverry, Diego Schwartzman, Marco Trungelliti		
Australia (3)	Alex de Minaur, Alexei Popyrin, Jordan Thompson		
Italy (3)	Matteo Arnaldi, Flavio Cobolli, Lorenzo Musetti		
China (2)	Shang Juncheng, Zhang Zhizhen		
Croatia (2)	Duje Ajdukovic, Borna Coric		
Great Britain (2)	Daniel Evans, Cameron Norrie		
Austria (1)	Sebastian Ofner		
Chile (1)	Nicolas Jarry	Hungary (1)	Fabian Marozsan
Czech Republic (1)	Tomas Machac	Japan (1)	Yoshihito Nishioka
Dominican Republic (1)	Nick Hardt	Norway (1)	Casper Ruud
Germany (1)	Daniel Altmaier	Serbia (1)	Dusan Lajovic
Greece (1)	Stefanos Tsitsipas	United States (1)	Brandon Nakashima
	Karen Khachanov, Pavel Kotov, Andrey Rublev, Roman Safiullin		

PIF ATP RANKINGS POINTS AND PRIZE MONEY

Barcelona Open Banc Sabadell	W	F	SF	QF	R16	R32	R64
Singles Ranking Points	500	330	200	100	50	25*	0
Singles Prize Money (€)	488,390	260,475	135,125	70,550	37,175	20,350	10,855
Doubles Ranking Points	500	300	180	90	0	---	---
Doubles Prize Money (€)	170,940	91,170	46,130	23,060	11,940	---	---

* Singles players who receive a bye in R64 and lose in R32 earn 0 ranking points

2024 BARCELONA OPEN BANC SABADELL DOUBLES SEEDS

SEED	PLAYERS	TEAM (BEST FINISH)	2024 (BEST FINISH)	EVENT (BEST FINISH)
1	Marcel Granollers (ESP)	140-71 (8 Titles)	16-7 (3 Finals)	14-15 (2012, 2016 Finals)
	Horacio Zeballos (ARG)	16-7 in 2024 (3 Finals)	16-7 (3 Finals)	1-4 (2010 2R)
2	Ivan Dodig (CRO)	0-0	13-7 (2 Finals)	4-9 (2014 SF)
	Neal Skupski (GBR)	(Debut)	11-9 (2 Finals)	6-3 (2022-23 Finals)
3	Rajeev Ram (USA)	186-87 (14 Titles)	10-6 (Adelaide Title)	3-6 (2021 SF)
	Joe Salisbury (GBR)	9-5 in 2024 (1 Title)	9-5 (Adelaide Title)	5-4 (2019, 2021 SF)
4	Santiago Gonzalez (MEX)	60-25 (5 Titles)	11-9 (2 Finals)	8-3 (2011 Title)
	Edouard Roger-Vasselin (FRA)	0-0 in 2024 (Debut)	9-7 (4 QFs)	4-7 (2017 SF)

Doubles Final: Sunday 21 April at 1:00 pm

BARCELONA OPEN BANC SABADELL SINGLES FINALS (since 2005)

YEAR	CHAMPION	FINALIST	SCORE
2023	Carlos Alcaraz (ESP)	Stefanos Tsitsipas (GRE)	6-3 6-4
2022	Carlos Alcaraz (ESP)	Pablo Carreno Busta (ESP)	6-3 6-2
2021	Rafael Nadal (ESP)	Stefanos Tsitsipas (GRE)	6-4 6-7(6) 7-5
2020	TOURNAMENT CANCELLED		
2019	Dominic Thiem (AUT)	Daniil Medvedev	6-4 6-0
2018	Rafael Nadal (ESP)	Stefanos Tsitsipas (GRE)	6-2 6-1
2017	Rafael Nadal (ESP)	Dominic Thiem (AUS)	6-4 6-1
2016	Rafael Nadal (ESP)	Kei Nishikori (JPN)	6-4 7-5
2015	Kei Nishikori (JPN)	Pablo Andujar (ESP)	6-4 6-4
2014	Kei Nishikori (JPN)	Santiago Giraldo (COL)	6-2 6-2
2013	Rafael Nadal (ESP)	Nicolas Almagro (ESP)	6-4 6-3
2012	Rafael Nadal (ESP)	David Ferrer (ESP)	7-6(1) 7-5
2011	Rafael Nadal (ESP)	David Ferrer (ESP)	6-2 6-4
2010	Fernando Verdasco (ESP)	Robin Soderling (SWE)	6-3 4-6 6-3
2009	Rafael Nadal (ESP)	David Ferrer (ESP)	6-2 7-5
2008	Rafael Nadal (ESP)	David Ferrer (ESP)	6-1 4-6 6-1
2007	Rafael Nadal (ESP)	Guillermo Canas (ARG)	6-3 6-4
2006	Rafael Nadal (ESP)	Tommy Robredo (ESP)	6-4 6-4 6-0
2005	Rafael Nadal (ESP)	Juan Carlos Ferrero (ESP)	6-1 7-6(4) 6-3

BOLD: Player in 2024 Barcelona Open Banc Sabadell singles draw.

BARCELONA OPEN BANC SABADELL DOUBLES FINALS (since 2005)

YEAR	CHAMPION	FINALIST	SCORE
2023	Maximo Gonzalez / Andres Molteni	Wesley Koolhof / Neal Skupski	6-3 6-7(8) [10-4]
2022	Kevin Krawietz / Andreas Mies	Wesley Koolhof / Neal Skupski	6-7(3) 7-6(5) [10-6]
2021	Juan Sebastian Cabal / Robert Farah	Kevin Krawietz / Horia Tecau	6-4 6-2
2020	TOURNAMENT CANCELLED		
2019	Juan Sebastian Cabal / Robert Farah	Jamie Murray / Bruno Soares	6-4 7-6(4)
2018	Feliciano Lopez / Marc Lopez	Aisam-Ul-Haq Qureshi / Jean-Julien Rojer	7-6(5) 6-4
2017	Florin Mergea / Aisam-Ul-Haq Qureshi	Alexander Peya / Philipp Petzschner	6-4 6-3
2016	Bob Bryan / Mike Bryan	Pablo Cuevas / Marcel Granollers	7-5 7-5
2015	Marin Draganja / Henri Kontinen	Jamie Murray / John Peers	6-3 6-7(6) [11-9]
2014	Jesse Huta Galung / Stephane Robert	Daniel Nestor / Nenad Zimonjic	6-3 6-3
2013	Alexander Peya / Bruno Soares	Robert Lindstedt / Daniel Nestor	5-7 7-6(7) [10-4]
2012	Mariusz Fyrstenberg / Marcin Matkowski	Marcel Granollers / Marc Lopez	2-6 7-6(7) [10-8]
2011	Santiago Gonzalez / Scott Lipsky	Bob Bryan / Mike Bryan	5-7 6-2 [12-10]
2010	Daniel Nestor / Nenad Zimonjic	Lleyton Hewitt / Mark Knowles	4-6 6-3 [10-6]
2009	Daniel Nestor / Nenad Zimonjic	Mahesh Bhupathi / Mark Knowles	6-3 7-6(9)
2008	Bob Bryan / Mike Bryan	Mariusz Fyrstenberg / Marcin Matkowski	6-3 6-2
2007	Andrei Pavel / Alexander Waske	Rafael Nadal / Tomeu Salva	6-3 7-6(1)
2006	Mark Knowles / Daniel Nestor	Mariusz Fyrstenberg / Marcin Matkowski	6-2 6-7(4) [10-5]
2005	Leander Paes / Nenad Zimonjic	Feliciano Lopez / Rafael Nadal	6-3 6-3

BOLD: Player in 2024 Barcelona Open Banc Sabadell doubles draw – team Gonzalez/Molteni remains intact.

LEXUS ATP HEAD2HEAD: MONDAY FIRST-ROUND SINGLES MATCHES

PISTA RAFA NADAL

Facundo Diaz Acosta (ARG) vs [WC] Daniel Rincon (ESP)

First Meeting

Facundo Diaz Acosta | Age: 23 | World No. 53 | Career-High No. 52 | 2024: 9-4 (Buenos Aires Title) | Event: 0-0 (Debut)
> Left-handed Argentine climbed to career-high No. 52 in February 2024 soon after defeating No. 21 Jarry for biggest win of career to earn 1st ATP Tour title in Buenos Aires without losing a set.
> In his hometown Buenos Aires, made ATP Tour debut in 2020 as a WC, captured 1st ATP Tour win in 2023 (d. Coria) and advanced to 1st SF and final en route to 1st ATP Tour title in 2024.
> Defeated compatriots Gomez and Tirante to reach 1st ATP Tour QF at 2024 Cordoba (l. to compatriot Baez).
> Owns 82-53 Challenger record (5-3 in finals), earning titles at 2022 Coquimbo, 2023 Savannah, Oeiras-4, Milan and Montevideo, going 44-17 in 2023.
> Former World No. 6 junior ended junior career in Buenos Aires by earning singles silver medal and doubles gold medal with countryman Baez at 2018 Youth Olympics.

NOTE: Diaz Acosta earned all 9 ATP Tour wins of the season in February, reaching 1st ATP Tour QF in Cordoba and winning 1st title the following week in Buenos Aires. He aims to break a 4-match losing streak since defeating Cachin in Santiago 1R.

Daniel Rincon | Age: 21 | World No. 216 | Career-High No. 181 | 2024: 0-0 | Barcelona: 0-1 (2023 1R)
> Former No. 2 junior achieved career-high No. 181 in December 2023 after reaching his 5th Challenger SF of the season in Maspalomas on home soil.
> Made ATP Tour debut at 2023 Barcelona as WC, then qualified for 2023 Geneva in lone ATP Tour appearances.
> Owns 23-32 Challenger record, reaching five semi-finals and 64-30 on the ITF Tour (4-4 in finals), including 14-1 start to 2023 (2-1 in finals), reaching all three finals in Manacor, where he also trains.
> Finished his junior career by winning 2021 US Open boys' singles title (d. Shang) after reaching 2021 Wimbledon boys' doubles final with Shelbayh.
> Also teamed up with Shelbayh to capture Challenger doubles titles at 2023 Murcia and 2024 Canberra.

NOTE: Rincon seeks first career ATP Tour win in third tour-level appearance. He looks for biggest win of career after earning lone Top 100 win of career over No. 98 Monteiro in 2023 Geneva qualifying (1-9 vs. Top 100 including ATP qualifying).

Roman Safiullin vs [WC] Roberto Bautista Agut (ESP)

23 Wimbledon (Great Britain)

Grass R128 Roman Safiullin

Safiullin Leads 1-0

2-6 7-6(7) 6-7(4) 6-4 7-5

Roman Safiullin | Age: 26 | World No. 38 | Career-High No. 36 | 2024: 6-8 (Brisbane SF) | Barcelona: 0-0 (Debut)
> Former World No. 2 junior broke into Top 100 in August 2022 and achieved career-high No. 36 in January 2024.
> Posted personal-best 20 wins in 2023, highlighted by 1st ATP Tour final at Chengdu and defeating No. 2 Alcaraz at ATP Masters 1000 Paris to reach 3R as Q.
> As World No. 92 in Wimbledon main draw debut, became the lowest-ranked quarterfinalist since Kyrgios in 2014.
> Defeated 2-time champion and World No. 4 Tsitsipas to reach 1st ATP Tour SF at 2022 Marseille, and advanced to 2nd SF on indoor hard courts at 2022 Tel Aviv.
> Went 105-21 with 11 titles on ITF Junior Circuit, posting wins over Medvedev, Rublev and Khachanov before ending junior career as 2015 Australian Open champion.

NOTE: Safiullin is playing in his 7th tour-level clay court event and owns 5-1 record in opening rounds of clay court tournaments. He is 4-1 vs. Spaniards on tour-level including biggest win of career over No. 2 Alcaraz at 2023 ATP Masters 1000 Paris.

Roberto Bautista Agut | Age: 36 | World No. 84 | Career-High No. 9 | 2024: 6-8 (Hong Kong QF) | Event: 8-7 ('15, '18 QF)
> Captured 10th and 11th ATP Tour titles of career in 2022, earned 300th win of career in 2020 and ended 2019 at career-high No. 9.
> Reached 1st Grand Slam QF at 2019 Australian Open and 1st Grand Slam SF at 2019 Wimbledon after entering season with 0-9 record in Grand Slam 4R matches.
> Defeated No. 1 Djokovic in 2016 ATP Masters 1000 Shanghai SF, 2019 Doha SF and 2019 ATP Masters 1000 Miami 4R, as well as No. 1 Medvedev in 2022 Mallorca QF.
> Went 4-1 at 2022 ATP Cup and 6-0 at 2020 ATP Cup to lead Spain to finals after helping his country win 2019 Davis Cup.

> Played football for Villarreal C.F. until he was 14 years old.

NOTE: Bautista Agut, who turned 36 on Sunday, is making his 8th main draw appearance in Barcelona and is 6-1 in opening rounds at the event. He is two wins away from reaching the milestone of 400 tour-level wins (398-253)

[Q] Nick Hardt (DOM) vs [WC] Martin Landaluce (ESP)

First Meeting

Nick Hardt | Age: 23 | World No. 229 | Career-High No. 201 | 2024: 0-0 (Barcelona CH Title) | Barcelona: 0-0 (Debut)

> Achieved career-high No. 201 in December 2022 after winning his 10th of 11 ITF World Tennis Tour titles at M15 Santo Domingo on home soil.

> Entering the qualifying draw as an alternate at 2024 Barcelona, defeated former-Top100 players Bagnis in Q1 and Dellien in Q2 to make his ATP Tour debut.

> Earned 1st tour-level win in Davis Cup play over Jaziri in 2021 and owns 3-4 Davis Cup tour-level career record.

> Owns 47-51 Challenger record (1-1 in finals), winning 1st title at 2024 Barcelona, becoming the second player from the Dominican Republic to win a Challenger title after Estrella Burgos.

> Defeated No. 104 Kwon at 2023 Istanbul CH for biggest win of his career and upset Top-2 seeds No. 147 Halys in 1R and No. 143 Zapata Miralles in the final to capture his 1st Challenger title at 2024 Barcelona.

> Peaked at No. 16 in junior rankings in March 2018 and reached 2018 Roland Garros boys' singles QF (l. to Baez).

NOTE: Hardt is playing in his 1st ATP Tour event, becoming the first player from Dominican Republic to play an ATP Tour match since Estrella Burgos at 2018 Newport and aims to be the first to win a match since Estrella Burgos at 2018 Quito.

Martin Landaluce | Age: 18 | World No. 328 | Career-High No. 317 | 2024: 1-1 (Miami 2R) | Barcelona: 0-0 (2023 Q1)

> Former World No. 1 junior earned 1st ranking point in February 2023, broke into Top 500 in November 2023 and reached career-high No. 317 in April 2024 after earning 1st ATP Tour win at ATP Masters 1000 Miami.

> Made his professional debut at 2022 Alicante CH a week before making his ATP Tour debut at 2022 Gijon as WC.

> Defeated compatriot Munar for 1st ATP Tour win at 2024 ATP Masters 1000 Miami as WC, becoming the first player born in 2006 or later to win an ATP Masters 1000 match.

> Owns 9-14 Challenger record, highlighted by run to 1st SF at Tenerife-3 and 27-15 on ITF Tour, winning 1st title at 2024 M25 Vila Real de Santo Antonio in February.

> Posted a 58-8 record on junior circuit in 2022, including a 15-match winning streak on grass before losing in Wimbledon boys' singles SF, then captured 2022 US Open boys' singles title.

> Became passionate for tennis at age 1 after watching parents and siblings play, then began competing at tournaments as a 9-year-old.

NOTE: Landaluce seeks 1st clay ATP Tour win and aims to be the youngest player to win a match in Barcelona since Rublev, 17, in 2015 (d. Verdasco in 1R) and youngest Spaniard since Nadal, 16, in 2003 (d. Marin in 1R).

Alexandre Muller (FRA) vs [WC] Albert Ramos-Vinolas (ESP)

First Meeting

Alexandre Muller | Age: 27 | World No. 110 | Career-High No. 71 | 2024: 4-7 (Auckland QF) | Barcelona: 0-0 (Debut)

> Broke into Top 500 in 2016, Top 250 in 2019 and Top 100 in April 2023, earning career-high No. 71 in January 2024 soon after defeating No. 22 F. Cerundolo to reach 3rd ATP Tour QF at 2024 Auckland.

> Reached 1st ATP Tour QF at 2023 Doha and defeated No. 21 Musetti for biggest win of career en route to 1st ATP Tour final at 2023 Marrakech to make his Top 100 debut (l. to Carballes Baena).

> Made tour-level debut at 2017 Roland Garros as a WC (l. to Monteiro) and won first tour-level match at 2021 Australian Open as a LL beating Londero in 1R.

> Owns a 128-117 Challenger record (2-2 in finals), winning 1st title at 2022 Blois, saving a MP in his 1R match.

> Had a tennis court at his childhood home and began playing with his dad at age 6 and says he was better at football than tennis before choosing the latter.

NOTE: Muller owns 5 career ATP Tour wins on clay, earning 4 en route to 1st ATP Tour final at 2023 Marrakech and defeating Edmund in 1R of 2023 ATP Masters 1000 Rome. He is one of 7 Frenchmen in the Barcelona main draw after there were none in main draw last year.

Albert Ramos-Vinolas | Age: 36 | World No. 108 | Career-High No. 17 | 2024: 3-5 (3x 2R) | Barcelona: 16-13 ('13, '17 QF)

> Achieved career-high No. 17 in 2017 and has finished each of last 13 seasons in Top 100 (2011-23).

> Played in 12 finals on ATP Tour, winning clay-court titles at 2016 Bastad, 2019 Gstaad, 2021 Estoril and 2022 Cordoba.

> Advanced to 3R, 4R and QF of a Grand Slam for 1st time at 2016 Roland Garros.

> Reached QF, SF and final of an ATP Masters 1000 event for 1st time at 2017 Monte Carlo, earning biggest career win over No. 1 Murray in 3R from 0-4 down in 3rd set.

> Defeated defending champion and World No. 3 Federer in 2015 ATP Masters 1000 Shanghai 2R for 1st win in 16 tries vs. Top 10.

NOTE: Ramos-Vinolas is playing in the 14th consecutive Barcelona edition and attempts to be the oldest player to record a match win in Barcelona since Ferrer, 37, in 2019. He owns the 2nd-most appearances in the 2024 field after Nadal (17).

PISTA ANDRES GIMENO

Daniel Evans (GBR) vs Brandon Nakashima (USA)

21 Washington (U.S.A.)	Hard	R32	Brandon Nakashima	7-6(1) 6-0
22 ATP Masters 1000 Paris (France)	Hard	R64	Daniel Evans	6-3 3-6 6-4

Series Tied 1-1

Daniel Evans | Age: 33 | World No. 49 | Career-High No. 21 | 2024: 3-9 (4 times in 2R) | Barcelona: 5-4 (2023 SF)

- > Former Top-10 junior was unranked in April 2018 before becoming No. 1 Brit for 1st time in October 2019 and achieving career-high No. 21 in August 2023 after winning 2nd ATP Tour title at Washington.
- > Did not drop a set en route to 1st ATP Tour title as a 30-year-old at 2021 Melbourne-2.
- > Rallied from 2 sets down and won 5th-set TB vs. Popyrin to reach 2nd Grand Slam 4R of career at 2021 US Open.
- > Reached ATP Masters 1000 SFs at 2021 Monte Carlo (d. No. 1 Djokovic in 3R) and 2022 Montreal.
- > Advanced to ATP Masters 1000 doubles finals at 2021 Miami w/N. Skupski, 2021 Monte Carlo w/N. Skupski and 2022 Montreal w/Peers.

NOTE: Evans seeks 150th tour-level win of career (149-166) and record 1st clay win since defeating No. 32 F. Cerundolo to reach Barcelona SF last year. He is No. 66 on [PIF ATP Live Rankings](#) and would need to reach the semi-finals to avoid dropping outside Top 50 for the first time since September 2019.

Brandon Nakashima | Age: 22 | World No. 87 | Career-High No. 43 | 2024: 3-3 (Houston QF) | Barcelona: 1-1 (2022 2R)

- > Former World No. 3 junior broke into Top 50 in July 2022 and achieved career-high No. 43 in October 2022, ending season on 16-1 run in tiebreaks.
- > Returned to Milan and went 5-0 to capture 2022 Next Gen ATP Finals title after reaching SF in 2021.
- > Defeated countryman Giron to win 1st ATP Tour title in hometown of San Diego in 2022.
- > Played in back-to-back ATP Tour finals at Los Cabos and Atlanta as 19-year-old in 2021, becoming youngest American to reach multiple finals since Roddick in 2001-02.
- > Reached Roland Garros 3R, Wimbledon 4R and US Open 3R in 2022, highlighted by first Top 20 wins of career over No. 16 Shapovalov in Wimbledon 2R and No. 19 Dimitrov in US Open 2R.

NOTE: Nakashima is 1-6 vs. Top 50 players on clay courts, defeating No. 17 Paul in 2023 Lyon QF for lone win (16-40 across all surfaces). In his first clay court event of 2024 season, he reached Houston quarter-finals (l. to Shelton).

Matteo Arnaldi (ITA) vs Arthur Cazaux (FRA)

19 Roland Garros Juniors (France)	Clay	R32	Arthur Cazaux	6-2 6-3
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First Tour-Level Meeting

Matteo Arnaldi | Age: 23 | World No. 40 | Career-High No. 35 | 2024: 10-9 (Brisbane QF) | Barcelona: 1-1 (2023 2R)

- > Broke into Top 500 in September 2021, Top 200 in August 2022 and Top 100 in May 2023, achieving career-high No. 35 in April 2024.
- > Reached 1st ATP Tour QF and SF at 2023 Umag and 1st Grand Slam 4R at 2023 US Open.
- > Qualified to reach 3R at 2023 ATP Masters 1000 Madrid, defeating No. 4 Ruud for biggest win of career a week after earning first career ATP Tour win at 2023 Barcelona (d. Munar).
- > Owns 58-38 Challenger record (4-2 in finals), highlighted by 1st title on home soil at Francavilla al Mare.
- > Peaked at No. 22 in juniors, posting 80-42 singles record (3 titles) and 34-35 doubles record (2 titles).

NOTE: In Barcelona last year, Arnaldi defeated Munar in 1R for his 1st ATP Tour win of career. The Italian seeks first clay court win since reaching his 1st ATP Tour SF in Umag last July.

Arthur Cazaux | Age: 21 | World No. 75 | Career-High No. 74 | 2024: 5-3 (Aus. Open 4R) | Barcelona: 0-0 (Debut)

- > After peaking at No. 4 in juniors, broke inside Top 100 in January 2024 after defeating No. 8 Rune for biggest win of career en route to Australian Open 4R and earned a career-high No. 74 in March.
- > Defeated countryman Mannarino in ATP Tour main draw debut at 2021 Geneva as 18-year-old WC.
- > Made Grand Slam main draw debuts at 2023 Roland Garros as a WC and 2023 US Open as a LL.
- > Owns 62-33 record on ATP Challenger Tour (3-4 in finals), winning titles at 2022 & 2023 Nonthaburi-2 as Q and 2024 Noumea.

- > Went 122-48 on ITF Junior Circuit, highlighted by run to 2020 Australian Open boys' singles final.
- > Discovered tennis at age 3 when his father was watching Nadal at Roland Garros and started playing tennis against the wall as nobody in his family played the sport.

NOTE: Cazaux is playing in his first match since retiring from heat illness in ATP Masters 1000 Miami qualifying. The Frenchman seeks his 1st ATP Tour clay win since defeating No. 37 Mannarino at 2021 Geneva in ATP Tour debut.

[Q] Harold Mayot (FRA) vs Pedro Cachin (ARG)

First Meeting

Harold Mayot | Age: 22 | World No. 116 (Career-High) | Career: 2-2 (Montpellier QF) | Barcelona: 0-0 (Debut)

- > Former world No. 1 junior earned 1st ranking point in 2019, broke into Top 500 in March 2020, Top 200 in May 2023 and achieved career-high No. 116 in April 2024.
- > Reached 1st ATP Tour QF as Q in his hometown at 2023 Metz and 2nd QF at 2024 Montpellier as WC.
- > Qualified and earned 1st tour-level win at 2023 Wimbledon over compatriot Bonzi (l. to Pella in 2R).
- > Made ATP Tour debut at 2020 Marseille and Grand Slam debut at 2020 Roland Garros as a WC.
- > Owns 61-53 Challenger record (0-3 in finals), reaching finals at 2022 Tampere, 2023 Mallorca and 2024 Barletta.
- > Beat compatriot and doubles partner Cazaux in the 2020 Australian Open boys' singles final to become the first Frenchman to win the title since Sidorenko in 2006.

NOTE: Mayot is playing in his second tour-level event on clay after 2020 Roland Garros (l. to Davidovich Fokina in 1R) and seeks 1st Top 100 win on tour-level since defeating No. 85 Barrere at 2023 Metz to reach 1st ATP Tour QF.

Pedro Cachin | Age: 28 | World No. 88 | Career-High No. 48 | 2024: 0-9 | Barcelona: 1-2 (2023 2R)

- > After debuting in Top 200 in September 2015, broke into Top 150 in June 2022 and Top 100 in July 2022 before peaking at No. 48 in August 2023 after winning 1st ATP Tour title at Gstaad.
- > Won 5th-set TBs over Bedene and Holt to reach 2022 US Open 3R and earned first Top 20 win over No. 11 Tiafoe en route to 4R at 2023 ATP Masters 1000 Madrid.
- > Defeated Norrie and Carreno Busta en route to 1st ATP Tour QF at 2019 Cordoba as Q.
- > Posted 38-11 Challenger record in 2022 (4-3 in finals), winning clay-court titles at Madrid, Prague-2, Todi and Santo Domingo.
- > Achieved career-high No. 8 in junior rankings, defeating future ATP No. 5 Rublev en route to 4th ITF Junior Circuit title at 2013 Offenbach.

NOTE: Cachin made ATP Tour debut in Barcelona in 2016 as Q (l. to Dodig in 1R), then defeated Brouwer in 1R last year for first main draw win. He attempts to break a 12-match tour-level losing streak to record first ATP Tour win since defeating Ramos-Vinolas to reach Kitzbuhel QF last August.

Pavel Kotov vs Sebastian Ofner (AUT)

First Tour-Level Meeting

Other Meetings

22 Kitzbuhel Q (Austria)	Clay	Q1	Sebastian Ofner	7-6(5) 7-5
22 US Open Q (U.S.A.)	Hard	Q2	Pavel Kotov	6-3 6-4

Pavel Kotov | Age: 25 | World No. 69 | Career-High No. 61 | 2024: 7-7 (Marrakech SF) | Barcelona: 1-1 (2023 2R)

- > Earned 1st ranking point at age 16 in October 2015, broke into Top 100 in October 2022 and achieved career-high No. 61 in January 2024.
- > Defeated No. 25 Griekspoor for biggest win of career en route to 1st ATP Tour final at 2023 Stockholm as Q.
- > Qualified and earned 1st ATP Tour win at 2022 Marrakech (d. Griekspoor in 1R), before returning in 2023 to reach 1st ATP Tour QF and SF in Marrakech.
- > Qualified to make ATP Tour debut at 2020 St. Petersburg and Grand Slam debut at 2022 Roland Garros.
- > Owns 89-71 Challenger record (3-2 in finals), winning titles at 2021 Forli-3, 2022 Forli-3 and 2022 San Marino.

NOTE: Kotov is 9-13 vs. Top 50 players, 1-3 on clay, seeking first Top 50 win since defeating No. 49 Sonogo in Doha 1R in February and second Top 50 win on clay after defeating No. 50 Bonzi at 2023 Marrakech.

Sebastian Ofner | Age: 27 | World No. 43 | Career-High No. 37 | 2024: 8-11 (Hong Kong SF) | Barcelona: 0-0 (Debut)

- > Earned 1st ranking point at age 17 in July 2013, broke into Top 200 in July 2017 and achieved career-high No. 37 in January 2024 after reaching 3rd ATP Tour SF at Hong Kong.
- > Advanced to 2017 Wimbledon 3R in Grand Slam qualifying debut, highlighted by 5-set win over No. 18 Sock and qualifying to make the 2023 Roland Garros 4R.
- > Failed to qualify in his next 15 tries at Grand Slams before qualifying at 2022 Roland Garros.
- > Reached 1st ATP Tour QF and SF on home soil at 2017 Kitzbuhel as WC.

> Owns 140-111 Challenger record (4-9 in finals), winning titles at 2018 Astana, 2019 Puerto Vallarta and 2022 Prague-1 and 2023 Salzburg to break 0-5 start in 2023 Challenger finals.

NOTE: Ofner is 1-7 in his last 8 matches on clay courts (1-5 in 2024), defeating No. 50 Evans at ATP Masters 1000 Monte-Carlo last week. He aims to be the first Austrian to win a match in Barcelona since Thiem won the 2019 title.

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[Q] Duje Ajdukovic (CRO) vs [Q] Marco Trungelliti (ARG)

First Meeting